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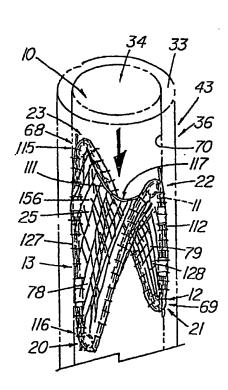
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(57) Abstract: A multiple-sided medical device (10) comprises a frame (11) comprising wire or other resilient material and having a series of bends (12) and interconnecting sides. The device is pushed from a delivery catheter into the lumen of a duct or vessel and may include one or more barbs (16) for anchoring purposes. A full or partial covering (45) of fabric or other flexible material such as DACRON, PTFE, or a collagen-based material such as small intestinal submucosa (SIS), may be sutured or attached to the frame to form an occlusion device (51), a stent graft (75), or an implantable, intraluminal valve (43) such as for correcting incompetent veins in the lower legs and feet.

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